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METHOD FOR REMOVING OXIDE LAYER AND SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING APPARATUS FOR REMOVING OXIDE LAYER

AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 19 June 2002, the period for response to which-has been-extended-to-19 October-2002 by-the petition-enclosed-herewith,———please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- In the state where the vertically movable susceptor 12 is placed at the lower portion of the vacuum chamber 10, the silicon wafer 14 is loaded onto the susceptor 12. In order to create a vacuum condition in the vacuum chamber 10, the air or gases